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1 4 ft. 100 Coil Bed Spring.....	12.00	8.75
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**SPIECE & SON**

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11-5

I. O. O. F. Dance

The Mirror Maple Leafs opened the baseball season at Mirror last Friday evening, when they had as guests the team from Bashaw. The game was rather devoid of interest, and the locals were on the short end of the score, 11-5, when the game was called at the close of the sixth inning, on account of darkness. Game was billed for six but started at seven.

Batteries: Bashaw, Weiss and Bergquist; Mirror, George Ray and Ralph Lakey, Umpire, B. Larkin.

Mirror vs. Red Deer, Tuesday, May 27th, at 6 p.m.

**It's Cool Now But There's a Hot Time Coming**

You can keep Cold Feet by wearing our

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CHILDREN'S WHITE COTTON STOCKINGS, 3 pairs for \$1.00  
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**Panrucker's Store - Mirror**

## MIRROR-PLAYS AT CROPS IN NEED OF MOISTURE

The schedule of the Central Alberta baseball league, made up of teams from Red Deer, Lacombe, Ponoka, Clive and Mirror, has been issued. This schedule, which appears elsewhere in this issue, includes only the games in the first half of the season and before it is completed another one will be made for the second half. The winners of the first and second halves will play off to decide the championship of the league.

The season opens on May 21, when Mirror will visit Lacombe the game commencing at six in the evening. Ponoka will play at Red Deer the same day. The first game at Mirror will be on Tuesday, May 27th, when the Red Deer team will provide the opposition.

On account of next Saturday being a holiday, a good many of the members will accompany the Mirror team to Lacombe. Every person in town and country should turn out for the game in Mirror on Tuesday of next week. Mirror is going to have a winning team.

## School Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the trustees of the Mirror Consolidated School District, No. 31, was held in the secretary's office, Saturday evening, May 10th, 1924, at eight o'clock. All members present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The following accounts were presented: H. J. Gontor..... \$10.00 McCormack Lbr Co..... 23.20 E. N. Moyer Co..... 209.30 Hume-Estell: That accounts be paid.

Cairns-Estell: That secretary be instructed to enforce collection of all taxes in arrears for 1923, and to take distress proceedings where necessary after the 30th June next. Meeting adjourned.

## SHOP EARLY

Next Saturday, May 24th, is a legal holiday and will be observed by the business places in Mirror. The post-office will be open one hour after the arrival of trains and the telephone exchange from ten to twelve in the morning, and two to four in the afternoon. Do your shopping on Friday.

## Ladies' Aid Finances

The following is the financial statement of the Mirror Ladies Aid, from May 1st, 1923, to May 1st, 1924:

RECEIPTS	
Cash on hand, May 1st, 1923.....	\$ 9.90
Ten and sale.....	74.80
Oddfellow's supper.....	61.15
Harvest home supper and sale.....	246.80
Rest of dishes.....	7.75
Donations.....	10.00
Ten and sale.....	52.35
Meeting collections.....	104.15
Total receipts.....	\$856.90

EXPENDITURES	
Trustee Board.....	\$ 30.00
Coal.....	13.50
Building fund.....	200.00
Taxes.....	20.87
Material.....	46.10
Flowers.....	6.50
Printing.....	4.15
Hall rent.....	10.50
Gifts.....	30.00
Janitor.....	51.00
Finance committee.....	5.00
Spiess & Son.....	29.12
Exp. of tea and sale.....	1.70
Exp. of Oddfellow's supper.....	5.30
Exp. of Harvest Home supper.....	15.50
Exp. of tea and sale.....	1.30

Total expenditures.....\$819.24  
Cash on hand.....46.66  
\$865.90

## Fireworks!

For the 24th we have Fireworks, Pennants, Flags, Etc.

We have just received a shipment of  
**Parker's Lucky Curve Fountain Pens**  
The Pen with the 25-year Point  
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## Central Alberta Baseball League Schedule

	RED DEER	LACOMBE	PONOKA	CLIVE	MIRROR
RED DEER.....	KEEP	June 20 July 25	June 3 July 9	June 6 July 11	May 27 July 2
LACOMBE.....	June 17 July 22	This	May 30 July 4	May 27 July 2	June 24 July 25
PONOKA.....	May 21 July 26	June 13 July 18	For	June 24 July 24	June 5 July 16
CLIVE.....	May 30 July 4	June 3 July 8	June 10 July 15	Future	June 13 July 18
MIRROR.....	June 10 July 15	June 24 July 25	June 20 July 25	June 17 July 22	Reference

## ANNOUNCE THIRD ANNUAL TOUR TO THE COAST

Special Train from Winnipeg. Stops Made at Various Points of Interest

## PERSONALLY CONDUCTED

This tour, which will be interesting to the holiday maker and of great educational value to the student and to the teacher, offers an unusual opportunity for seeing, studying, also most favorable conditions, the Canadian Rockies, including Jasper National Park, and the Pacific Coast.

The special train, operated in connection with this tour and consisting of modern sleeping car equipment, dining car and radio observation car, will leave Winnipeg, July 2nd. After stopping at various points of interest, the train will arrive at Prince Rupert on July 7th. At this later point, the party

## Smoker Quenched

The Canadian National baseball club gave a smoker in the Grand theatre last Friday evening, at which most of the prominent citizens of Mirror and a number from Bashaw were present. If one may judge by the smiling visages and the exuberance displayed, the change from the extreme dry spell to the reverse, met with the unqualified approval of the anti-prohibitionists.

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The very latest in Ear Rings, direct from Europe. Bands to match. Fancy rings of Novelty Jewelry is one of the best and most up-to-date that we ever handled. They are priced most reasonably. We invite you to see them.

## Old Dutch Silverware

This is a new line of very attractive Silverware, just put on the market. Comes in Bon Bon Dishes, Caudle Sticks, Butter Dishes, Cream and Sugar Sets, Salt and Pepper Shakers, also in Table Mats. You will have to see this Silverware to appreciate its fine appearance.

APEX MAY RECORDS HAVE ARRIVED

**A. COMMON Mirror, Alberta**

Canadian National Railways Time Inspector

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# TEA "is good tea"

The ORANGE PEKOE QUALITY makes finer tea and more of it

## Canada In World Markets

Under normal circumstances the people of Western Canada could hardly be expected to take more than a passing interest in the results of general elections held in European countries, outside the British Isles, but the recent elections in Germany and France are likely to have a rather direct bearing on this Dominion. In fact, no other happenings of recent date are so full of promise for a general betterment of world conditions.

The answer given by the people of Germany at the ballot box was decidedly in favor of acceptance of the plan drawn up by the Dawes Commission for a settlement of the German reparations problem, and, inasmuch as this plan had previously been approved by the Allied Great Powers, the way is now open for a satisfactory adjustment of the outstanding difficulty which has hindered a restoration to normal pace and conditions. The answer of the German electorate is a distinct rebuff to the old monarchist deliriums of the type of General Ludendorff.

Equally important and re-creating was the defeat of the Fuldaer Minister of Finance, and the election of a substantial majority of deputies who, it is believed, favor a less drastic and uncompromising policy than the one Pils had insisted must be carried through to the bitter end. In a word, the election gives evidence of a greater spirit of moderation in French views, and the result is welcomed because it means the way for an improvement in international relations, and as strengthening the hands of those who are striving for the maintenance of peace through honorable and sensible compromises.

If these two elections facilitate a settlement of the vexatious reparations questions, and result in a lessening of the hostility between Germany and France, they will prove to have been red letter days in history. Canada stands to benefit enormously from a cessation of European's political and economic difficulties. The development of world trade on a scale more nearly approaching war days would result in a revival of industrial activity in Great Britain, increased shipping, and a rapid lessening of unemployment. With British and continental markets restored to normal, the old demand for Canadian goods, cattle and other products would be largely increased. The depression would be dispelled, and with better markets should come better prices.

Possibly nothing could better illustrate just what the depressed condition of Europe means to the Canadian farmer than a study of Canada's exports of wheat flour. In 1921 Canada exported \$61,022 barrels of flour, the smallest quantity since the year 1906 when the export was valued at \$65,753.11. In other words, the flour was valued at \$6,550.490, or approximately \$100 a barrel. During the past twelve months Canada exported almost twice as much flour, 1,171,529 barrels in value, but the value was only \$65,753.11. In other words, the flour was valued at \$55.75 a barrel, or approximately \$100 a barrel. And this great reduction in value is largely represented in the decline in the price of wheat paid by the millers to the farmers.

With a settlement of European's troubles, renewed industrial and commercial activity there, and lessened unemployment, the depressed economies of Europe will rise in value, and with that rise the purchasing power of the people. Lower discounts and increased purchasing power will inevitably result in a larger demand and better prices for Canadian products, and a gain all round for this Dominion.

It is most gratifying that, notwithstanding the unsettled state of the world's markets during recent years, Canada has steadily increased the volume of its exports. Having been able to accomplish this in face of great obstacles, it is to be hoped and expected that our financiers, manufacturers and exporters will, with improved economic conditions, not only retain but still further and largely increase their business throughout the world. The producers of Canada can be depended upon to do their part, and as Canada's further development and prosperity depends upon largely increasing its export trade, it is to be hoped that the Dominion Government, our railways, steamship companies, and all business generally will exert every effort to place Canada's goods and products all over the world.

## Ladies Remove Their Corsets In A Very Simple Way

No pain, no trouble, costs only a quarter. It is a very simple thing to do. It is a small application of good old "Pain-Away" and morning. To remove corsets, to get, entirely free from them, use Putnam's Corset & Waist Extractor. It is guaranteed "Fit" at all dealers. Refuse a substitute.

## May Solve Problem Of Rejuvenation

Rontgen Rays Restore Vitality to Cells

Says Scientist Dr. Pils, noted London ray specialist of Rome, addressing the gynecological Congress at Naples declared: "Rontgen rays of this power not only excite living cells, but even produce the phenomenon of reversion, giving back to the cells the youthful vitality." If the theory, propounded by Dr. Pils proves correct, scientists here believe that the problem of rejuvenation is entering upon a definite and practical phase.

When Robert Browning was in his 70th year, Oxford and Cambridge rejected him with an honorary degree.

## "Best Thing in the World For Delicate Girls"

Mrs. John Bennett, Boggy Creek, Man., writes: "My little girl had organic nervous trouble, could not sleep, had severe headaches and fainting spells. This went on for three years, and three doctors helped her very little. And after reading of what Dr. Chase's Nerve Food had done for others, I got some for her. She is now so well that she is like a different child. She is fourteen years old and looks the picture of health."

We have used Dr. Chase's Nerve Food for different members of the family, when recovering from "flu" and scarlet fever, and it has always helped them."

Dr. Chase's Nerve Food

60 cts. a box of 60 pills, Edmondson, Bann & Co., Ltd., Toronto

## Ferry Runs Between Harwich and Zeebrugge

Boats Capable of Carrying 50 Ordinary Railway Coaches This ferry boats have begun to run between Harwich, and Zeebrugge. They start out from the Zeebrugge side, but from the Harwich side. Each is a flat vessel 100 ft. long and 65 ft. wide, bearing two railway lines, and capable of carrying 50 ordinary railway coaches. Having arrived at Zeebrugge from Harwich, for a test, one of the boats spent only half an hour in reaching the basin, in moving and in loading and unloading its big cargo. Then it embarked 18 railway coaches in less than an hour.

## Women Can Dye Any Garment, Drapery Dye or Tint Wares, Paded Things New for 15 Cents

## Diamond Dyes

Don't wonder whether you can dye or tint successfully, because perfect home dyeing is guaranteed with "Diamond Dyes" even if you have never dyed before. Dyeing and tinting all colors, directions in each package.

## Animals Stage Fight

Timber Wolf Kills Bull Moose After Chase and Battle The story of a terrible battle between a timber wolf and a timber moose, which had been mortally wounded by the wolf.

Apparently the moose had been chased for miles by the wolf. Coming fatigued, the larger animal lay down on a mountain side into a cul-de-sac and turned to fight. The moose was able to keep the aggressor off for some time, but was finally so badly lacerated that the officer considered it prudent to put a bullet through its head.

## TOO MANY HOME CARES

One Reason Why So Many Women Are Weak and Run Down The work of the woman in the home is the greater demand on her vitality than men realize, and there is a constant drain on her strength. The wonder women's backs ache, and their nerves are worn out. No wonder why they get depressed and irritable, suffer from headaches, and always feel out of sorts. The reason is that women are not like that. What is the difference?

A woman with plenty of healthy red blood in her veins finds work in the home easy, her vitality is not worn. This point of view to health in women who feel run-down and depressed. Make your rich blood. You can do it with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These pills have the capacity of building up the blood and strengthening the nerves. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, proved street, Vancouver, B.C., says: "I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. After taking a few boxes of these I could see a change. I felt stronger, my appetite was better, I slept better, and my nerves were stronger. I continued the use of the pills for some time, and again found myself a well woman, and I can honestly say that my health has since been the best. I can cheerfully recommend the pills to any woman who is weak."

Alberta's Population According to the basis on which Alberta is now receiving subsidy from the Federal Government, the population of the province is estimated to be 125,000. The 1921 census gave the population as 58,800.

Reported That German Firm Was Seeking to Buy Rifles and Bayonets in England

The special London correspondent of the Paris Matin says he has learned that a German firm, with headquarters in Hamburg and Berlin, had a well known British arms manufacturer, name not given, to quote a price on one million rifles equipped with bayonets, and one million cartridges, deliverable at a German port. According to the text of the request, which the Matin published, the German firm said the arms and ammunition were meant for a "friendly government" member of the entente.

The correspondent says the British manufacturer immediately informed the British Government and took no steps at all the end.

Parliamentary scientists have discovered that alcoholic beverages given from 60,000 to 120,000 volts of electricity age 50 years.

## Grain Handling Records All Previous Records Smashed By C.P.R. in Alberta

All previous grain handling records of the Canadian Pacific Railway in Alberta have been completely smashed this season, according to an official statement. Since the commencement of the grain shipping season, on September 1, to March 31, the Canadian Pacific have placed 1,000,000 bushels of wheat in store and 2,000,000 bushels of other grains, and have shipped out of the piggins 32,500,000 bushels of wheat and 1,500,000 bushels of other grains. The total grain handled in the period mentioned is 31,000,000 bushels. This is practically double the shipments made by the company for the whole of last season, the figure then being 56,000,000 bushels of wheat and 7,250,000 bushels of other grains.

## America's Only Ex-President

William Howard Taft Is the Only Living Ex-President of U.S.

William Howard Taft, the only living ex-President of the United States, John Adams lived 25 years after leaving the White House. Grover Cleveland lived 31 years, 2 months and 20 days after his death. Both presidents died in office. They were William Henry Harrison, who died before Dr. Hargrave had seen Taylor, who was president a little more than a year; Warren G. Harding, who died Aug. 2, 1923, after serving 2 years 4 months and 23 days; and Abraham Lincoln, James A. Garfield and William McKinley, who were assassinated. Three presidents died on the fourth of July. They were John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, who passed away in 1826, and James Monroe, who died in 1831.

## Mothers' Best Friend In Rearing Children

Pain and sudden sickness are apt to come upon us at any time and safety lies in having always a handy supply of a reliable pain reliever like good old Nerve Pain. This is a family remedy for all kinds of pain, from toothache to headache, from colds to stomachache. For internal or external use. Nerve Pain is a world's weight in gold in every home, and costs but 25 cents at all dealers.

## Rapid Growth of Buenos Aires

Before the present century was run its course, it may be that Buenos Aires will be one of the greatest capital cities in the world. In the opinion of a writer who describes the marvellous growth of the past ten years. The city now has a population of over two millions.

Worms are encouraged by unclean conditions of stomach and food, and so subvert. Miller's Worm Powders will clear these conditions almost immediately and will remove the worms away. No destructive parasite can live in contact with the medicine, which is not only a worm destroyer, but a health-giving medicine, most beneficial to the young constitution.

## Alberta Coal

Over Two Million Tons Exported From Province in 1921

More than two million tons of Alberta coal were sold to Canadian parties outside the province of Alberta and to the United States during 1921, according to the annual report of the provincial department of mines. The total production of coal for the year is shown at 6,566,923 tons. Of this amount, 1,352,795 tons were disposed of for consumption in Alberta, 1,577,732 for other provinces and 4,527 tons in the United States. To the railways 3,103,121 tons were sold.

Useful in Camp—Explorers, surveyors, prospectors and hunters will find Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil very useful indeed. What the foot and hand are wet and cold it is well to rub them with the Oil and the result will be the prevention of pain in the muscles, and should a cut, or contusion, or burn be sustained, nothing could be better as a dressing or lotion.

## Hebrides Born For B.C.

Proposal From Provincial Government To Give Grant to Interfering Settlers

Negotiations now in progress between the Provincial Government and the British Government probably will result in several shipments of immigrants from the Hebrides being brought to British Columbia. The British Columbia Government proposes to give each family a grant of \$300 on their arrival at the spots selected for their settlement. This will be supplemented by an additional \$200 from the British Government and, with shelter provided, will be close to the sea where they can indulge in their pursuit of fishing.

Mine's Liniment For Aches and Pains

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# OGDEN'S CUT PLUG

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ALWAYS THE SAME 8¢ 1/2 lb. TIN OGDEN'S LIVERPOOL

## Successful Women Farmers New Era in History of Agriculture Is Beginning

The profession of agriculture for women was dealt with from many aspects at the Women's Institute convention in April. With large numbers of women coming from other parts of the world, coupled with the fact that farm machinery today has made farming operations of all kinds possible to women, it would seem that a new era in the history of agriculture was beginning. There are two women who have made an unqualified success of farming in British Columbia, as illustrated by the Macrae farm in the Okanagan near Vernon. These two women have their 10 acres in fruit trees, and are successfully keeping bees.

First Record of Eclipse The first known record of an eclipse of the sun was made in 1500 B.C. by the Chinese, who believed that a mighty dragon swallowed up the sun on such occasions.

These Foolish Days "This song about bananas makes me sick," said the Foolish Old Gentleman. "In my days we had songs like 'Ta Ra Ra Boom De Ay' and 'Daddy Wouldn't Buy Me a Bow-Tie,' that would have some to 'em'."

Miss Jessie Peterson, Zehndorf, Sask., writes:—"I wish to let you know how much Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills have done for me. For nearly three years I was very badly run down, had a weak heart, and was so nervous that sometimes I would almost faint away."

I cannot recommend your Pills enough, and I would advise anyone having a weak heart or troubled with nervousness to use them."

The first real picture painted by Michael Angelo was the one on the subject of the temptation of St. Anthony.

## CHILDREN CRY FOR "CASTORIA"

Especially Prepared for Infants and Children of All Ages

Mother, Fletcher's Castoria has been in use for over 20 years as a pleasant, harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Purgative, Teething Drops, Colic and Stomachic. Proven directions are on each package. Physicians are everywhere recommend it. The kind you have always bought bears signature of

Charles C. Fletcher.

## Eases Kitchen Work

To Women Who Do Their Own Work: Suppose you could save six minutes every day in washing pots and pans—two minutes after every meal. In a month, this would amount to a saving of three hours of this disagreeable but necessary work. This saving can be made by using SMP enameled kitchen utensils, as their smooth sanitary surface will not absorb dirt or grease. No scraping, scouring or polishing is needed. Soap, water and a dish towel is all you need. Ask for

## SMP Enameled WARE

"A Face of Porcelain and a Heart of Steel"

Three finishes: Pearl Ware, two coats of pearl grey enamel inside and out. Diamond Ware, three coats light blue and white outside, white lining. Crystal Ware, clear glass, pure white inside and out, with Royal Blue edging.

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## Bee-Keeping Industry Makes Remarkable Strides in West During the Past Three Years

One of the important aims of the District Builders' of Southern Manitoba is to encourage the young people to take up apiculture, and will provide them with an independent income.

Beekeeping is one of the few things that can be carried on profitably by boys and girls during the summer months when their parents would naturally want them at home, and yet leave the boy or girl free for the winter months with enough earned money in hand to allow them to follow any course of study they wanted without troubling the home ties.

Beekeeping is one of the important industries in Manitoba, as well as in Saskatchewan and Alberta. It is an industry that has made remarkable strides during the past three years and is regarded as a scientific and profitable making industry.

Not so very long ago, beekeeping was regarded as a "hobby" of farm and ranch life, but that time has passed. Today, it is an industry necessary to the industry and showing very profitable returns.

In order to establish beekeeping in Southern Manitoba the Canadian Pacific Railway Agricultural Department recently co-operated with L. F. Floyd, provincial apiculturist, to give two short courses in beekeeping at Brandon, Killarney, Morden and Pilot Mound. These courses have been very successful and in conjunction with the District Builders' conference, another project which has gained the whole-hearted support of the Canadian Pacific Railway Agricultural Department.

It was decided, in order that Mr. Floyd's work would be carried on, that the course was limited to give a prize of a colony of bees and beginner's equipment to the best pupil at each of the four courses. In addition to the prizes, the course was given by Mr. Floyd and the District Builders' in addition to a colony of bees the prize consisted of a hive in flat, super, smoker, foundation, tool, queen excluder, apron, comb, and so on.

The accompanying photos are of the prizes of the Beekeeping Course in Southern Manitoba. Miss Fraser's home is at Pilot Mound.

### Fewer Divorces in Canada

Figures Show Slight Decrease in 1923

Figures compiled by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics show a slight decrease in the number of divorces granted in Canada in 1923. Whereas in 1922, 514 divorces were granted in the Dominion, the second largest number on record, the figure for 1923 shows a decrease of 29, or 12 per cent to 485.

In explanation of the surprising increase in the 1922 figures, it is pointed out, this rapid increase in divorces in 1924 to 514 in 1923, emphasis is laid on two main causes:

(1)—The unrelenting psychological effects of the war period, combined with the least separations, and

(2)—The provision of new facilities for divorces resulting from the decision of the Imperial Privy Council in 1918, which enables the courts of the prairie provinces to grant divorces where previously a grant of parliament had been necessary.

The number of divorces granted in the western provinces in 1923 was 139 in British Columbia; 57 in Alberta; 51 in Manitoba; and 41 in Saskatchewan.

### Returns From Fisheries

The total value of the commercial fisheries of the prairie provinces in 1922 was \$1,745,775, comprising \$1,028,552 for Manitoba, \$258,417 for Saskatchewan, and \$124,727 for Alberta. All of the provinces show increased production, the total returns for 1923 being greater for the three provinces amounting to \$2,025,552, or 17 per cent more than in 1922.

Back-Talk Isn't Cheap  
Judge (on offending mother)—You are fined five dollars.

Minister—All right, old top! You must take it out of this tin can.

Judge—You are fined ten dollars. Anything more to say.

Minister—No, by George. You're two miles at separate.

### A Trifle Mischief

He was a very nervous candidate for a job.

"You," barked the great man, "you might do me harm. Tell me, how is your shoulder?"

"Er—er," mumbled the youth, ever looking for a cut-throat, "they're both the same kind."

Unless a man has humility his other virtues are without foundation.

Land is often drained with only a fraction of an inch fall in 100 feet.

### Livestock Sent By Mail

Old Conventions Now Handled By Post Office Employees

This is the period of the year when the post office accommodates its livestock. There are coming through from day to day large shipments of hatching eggs, chickens and a few days' old chickens.

All these come in packages and are handled by the post office employees before reaching their Canadian destination. Chickens are day old and live for three to four days. If they happen to arrive on a Saturday, they are detained in the post office over the Sabbath to wait for the Monday's train.

The parcel post department send out and purchase the necessary feed, figuring that their period of fasting is over. The greatest care is always taken in the post office of these packages in the United States. For one thing, each shipment mentioned presents a large sum of money as all are transported down to the leeches, through the water to the best work ever.

Co-operation with the United States postal department is always on hand but the employees are fortunate that the regulations on parcels going through the mails are not the same in Canada as in the United States, for on the other side of the line, pigs, lambs, roosters, hens, dogs and cats that weigh under 40 pounds are transported through the mails.

The regulations in Canada run on parcels up to 10 pounds, and the weight of a few more increases the weight a few more pounds up to 22 pounds.

Manitoba Free Press.

### Shortage of Lambs

Supplies Reported to be Inadequate to Meet the Demand

The noticeable feature of livestock movement, as reported by the Dominion Livestock Branch, in the third month of the year, apart from the increased volume of hogs, was the short supply of sheep. The report says: "Domestic production of 50 per cent of the volume of March last year, and for the year to date the shortage of sheep amounts to over 10,000 head."

Domestic Canada's marketings have not been so meagre as to barely constitute a basis for trading. Despite the high volume of marketings, the supply of sheep is seriously low.

The report further states that supplies are inadequate, which would indicate the wisdom of sheep raisers concerning for the breeding flock all the vigorous ewe lambs from good ewes.

### War Still Claiming Victims

Five years after the fighting stopped eleven girls and a man have been killed by the war. They were unfortunates in a factory at 12th when an explosion trapped them in a burning furnace, victims of the war as truly as if they had died on Vim Ridge. This true, yet pitiful story, "The true, that we shall never know the end of the cause of the world."

### Very Regular

You said you were a man of regular habits, and here you are intoxicated at first time.

Employee—"I am regular. I'm sure to get this way twice a week."

### For Midsummer Wear



Very charming indeed is this dressy gray pleated crepe de chine afternoon frock with its panel front and back of soft gray Bohemian lace.

### Conductor Takes Up Farming

Travel Bored Him After Thirty-one Years Service

After travelling 1,050,000 miles in his thirty-one years of service with the New York Central Railroad, Edward L. Brown, of Toronto, was released and, as a result, has resigned as conductor on the Hudson Division because he is bored with his job.

Domest has received additions of pelts from west-side passengers to its fur collection. The service with the railroad was interrupted only by his enlistment in the Spanish-American War. At one time he drove a horse-drawn wagon.

He intends to apply to the scientific establishment to a large farm near his old home, Chatham, N.Y.

### Canadian Wheat For Mexico

Mexican Millers Are Highly Pleased With Canadian Grain

A cargo of Canadian wheat has recently been forwarded from Vancouver to Mexico in an endeavor to establish a market there for the Canadian product. The Canadian Trade Commissioner in Mexico reports that Mexican millers were highly pleased with the quality of the wheat.

He predicts that in the near future Canada will supply the millers of Mexico with wheat, practically all of the wheat used there to supplement the native crop.

Even the most thurly criminal has notions to line up behind the bar of justice.

## Canada's Abundant Resources In Wild and Cultivated Fruits Of Great Value To Nation

### Destruction Of Salmon Is Becoming Serious

Hair-Brained Menace Industry Says

Fraser River Fishermen

The destruction of the spring salmon by the Fraser River has reached such alarming dimensions that the fishermen fear that the fish will be more than totally extinct and the enormous industry will be ruined.

The culture of the fish and the belief that from one-third to one-half of what should constitute the annual pack is actually taken out of the net by these water wolves before fishermen can get the fish into the boats.

Very few spring salmon have been caught in the Fraser this year, and fishermen are wondering if the half sale is effectively closing up the entire run before any fish can get through. So clever and cunning are the seals that it is a race between the fishermen and the seals every time a herring comes on the net shore that a fish has struck it. The seal generally wins. Wolf-like, it goes for the throat of the fish and almost always is torn out. A head is all that is left in the net in most cases.

Fishermen have tried spreading a "blind" net so as to protect the actual fishing net, but the seals learned to solve the trick, so that it is now no use. The fishermen drive salmon into the nets in order to make capture easier.

Fishermen who have brought up seal pups on a bottle state they are almost human in their intelligence. The seals get into trouble in the fishermen's nets, appearing to understand them as well as the men themselves.

Not only do they live on the salmon, but when hunger is satisfied they kill for sport, tossing the fish out of the water, like a cat playing with a mouse. They can throw a 30 pound salmon clear of the water.

Eight years ago it was estimated the number of seals preying in the Fraser numbered 4,000; and the number has greatly increased since then. The government has made some attempts at different times to reduce the number, but fishermen say the effort should be continued every year.

New British For The Blind  
An event that has excited the interest of thousands of blind men and women in English-speaking countries occurred here recently when a revised Braille Bible of the King James version was run from the presses, says an Associated Press despatch from Los Angeles. Each Bible consists of twenty-one volumes. J. Robert Allison, a blind publisher, has been working on the edition since 1917.

Irresponsible Flip  
Business Man (to applicant)—Can you spell correctly?

Student—Yes, sir. I will, all the other words were as easy as that one.

## WINNERS OF BEAVER BEES



### Want Game Laws Revised

Residents of Far North Are Dissatisfied With Existing Regulations

People living in the north country are in a rebellious mood as a result of the manner in which existing laws governing the shooting of geese and ducks is working to their disadvantage, according to C. H. Cornwall, president of the Northern Trading Company.

The government of Canada will have a British-style revolution on its hands in the Northwest Territories unless the tactics in respect to indigenous birds are changed," said C. H. Cornwall. At present the laws forbid the shooting of game and ducks. The laws of the United States are different, and the opportunity in the south are allowed to kill them wholesale.

Thousands of birds that hatch in the north every year are killed when they migrate. The people of the north need these birds for food, and unless the law is modified, allow them to shoot and hunt, there is liable to be serious trouble.

Export of Wheat to Britain

According to a despatch from London, Eng. Canada exported in the twelve months ended in March, according to the London Board of Trade, to England 20,572,000 cwt. of wheat, compared with 25,529,000 cwt. from the United States. Argentina sent 22,125,000 cwt. to Great Britain; India, 2,849,000; and Australia, 2,310,000, at the same period.







